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#### MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday - 8:00 am Wednesday - 7:30 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Sunday - 7:30 am

**BAPTISMS** - Preparation class required for first time parents and inactive Catholics. Contact Lilly to schedule.

MARRIAGES - Couples anticipating marriage must contact Lilly at least 6 months prior to wedding date.

#### CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Holy Family Elementary 625-3131

www/hfehays.org

Thomas More Prep-Marian 625-6577 www.tmp-m.org

Mass Intentions				
Sun. Aug 21	8:00 am	L/D Norbert & Betty Leiker fam		
Wed. Aug 24	6:00 pm	+Colton Lane		
Sun. Aug 28	8:00 am	L/D Marvin & Mary Jo Braun fam		
Wed. Aug 31	6:00 pm	+Charles & Kathleen Evans		

#### **SERVERS**

Sunday, August 21 Alec Gerstner & Rexton Leiker Sunday, August 28 Benjamin Dome & Ahnalyn Leiker

#### **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

Sunday, August 21 Ernie B, Jenalyn L, Deacon Steve Sunday, August 28 Nathan L, Lauren M, Ken R.

	LECTORS	OFFERTORY GIFTS
Sun. Aug 21	Natalie Oborny	Rich & Sherri Ruder
Sun. Aug 28	Brian Pfannenstiel	Tony & Patty Rohr

## GREETERS Sunday, August 21 Joe & Mindy Pfannenstiel Sunday, August 28 Kenny & Ann Pfannenstiel

#### **COLLECTION TEAM**

#### Sunday, August 21

Brian Pfannenstiel, Tony Rohr, Rich Ruder, Josh Waddell
Sunday, August 28

Jason Carter, Aaron Dome, Jerry Gross, Randy Werth

#### TRAVELING CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS

Sunday, August 21 Jason & Rose Carter
Sunday, August 28 Ernie & Lilly Binder
Sunday, September 4 Tony & Patty Rohr
Sunday, September 11 Linda Gross

Tithe ~	8/14/22	Assumption
Envelopes	\$1,771.00	\$355.00
Loose	\$110.00	\$52.00
Total	\$1,881.00	\$407.00

#### REFLECTION FROM DEACON STEVE URBAN

Isaiah 66:18-21

Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13

Luke 13:22-30

If you like to travel, you know that most of the time your travels are fun and enjoyable. Yet, there are those times when on a trip there are problems that can test your patience. When my wife and I went to Walt Disney World in Florida with our kids in 2007, our son turned ill one night with some stomach ailment. In addition, we had plumbing issues in the hotel that sent us to a local Wal-Mart for a toilet plunger, and finally our hotel rooms were not what we were promised. Jesus is traveling to Jerusalem, and he makes it quite clear that the road to salvation is narrow and difficult. Just because we think everything should go as we have planned is not quite the message Jesus intends. In that same vein of thinking, the author to the Hebrews says, "Whom the Lord loves, he disciplines". Following the path Jesus took to the cross will require for us a commitment to discipline, sacrifice, and, most of all, death to our egos.

Our journey today to understand the Scriptures begins not at the beginning but at the end. Today we read from the last chapter from the book of Isaiah, and the prophet is encouraging the people after returning from exile in Babylon. The prophet is speaking God's vision in which all nations will be drawn to Israel. The people of Israel will be like missionaries calling all nations to the "glory of God". This glory means "weight" or "importance" and points to an outward brilliant manifestation of God's greatness. Isaiah, in this last chapter of his writings, lays out the great vocation of the nation of Israel. It is a call to go out and bring all peoples to God by sharing their faith and proclaiming God's goodness and love.

One might wonder how this first reading ties in with the Gospel which is the usual pattern for the Sunday Scriptures. To understand the connection, I want to lay out the four lessons Jesus is teaching today according to scholar Patricia Datchuck Sanchez. The lessons are first that no one is guaranteed entry into the kingdom; second, the arrival of the kingdom is imminent; third, all are invited because there is no favoritism with God; fourth, God's standards contradict the ways of the world. Lesson three ties in directly with the last chapter of Isaiah in which the people are commissioned to spread God's message of salvation to all nations. The overall summation of all four lessons could be that no one is guaranteed an easy road into the kingdom. It will demand alertness and much discipline and sacrifice. And no person or group is certain that they are "in" while others are "left out". As Sanchez mentions in her reflection about today's Gospel, the gate to salvation is as narrow as the cross. Just because one was in Jesus' physical presence and ate with him did not guarantee salvation in this kingdom. A life of commitment to Jesus' principles and lifestyle is the narrow road to salvation.

How often we think the way of Christianity is easy and will bring only good things. Jesus' message is just the opposite. The way of discipleship is demanding, counter-cultural, and fraught with many obstacles. As the author of Hebrews

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states, any father who loves his children disciplines his kids. And at the time of the discipline, it seems quite painful. But in the end, the hard work and discipline come with great joy and satisfaction. Jesus warns us that traveling with him on the road of discipleship is strenuous. The journey, however, brings great peace and joy. The journey to Calvary in the end leads to resurrection and everlasting life.

~ Deacon Steve

Religious

Education

**Special thanks** are extended to all who volunteer their gifts of time, talent and treasure maintaining our parish grounds, including the cemetery. The fruits of your labor do not go unnoticed and are greatly appreciated!

Special Collections: Thank you for your generous donations to the recent special collections. Donations can still be turned in, if you haven't already done so. To date:

Mission Appeal Donations ~ \$255.00

Seminary Donations ~ \$675.00

K of C Meeting— Monday, August 22nd at 7:00 p.m.

A great big 'Thank You' goes out to the Munjor Knights of Columbus and the parishioners for the 176 items collected for the St. Joseph Food Pantry, the end of July. This has been a wonderful project and your donations are so greatly appreciated by those who are in need of food support in our county. Together we will keep our community a stronger and healthier place to live. ...Renee Michaud

Classes begin September 14th.

Please Note: Anticipated time change.

Classes to be held 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.



Did you know the Munjor School is available to rent for wedding venues, anniversaries, birthday parties etc.? For more information or to schedule an event, contact Lilly 623-8000.



**Presenting Hear My Song** on Sunday, Aug. 21, at 3pm, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish. A free-will donation benefit concert for the *Unify*,

Beautify, Glorify Campaign featuring Fr. Nick Parker on piano and vocals with special guests Jillian Korte and Fr. Kevin Weber. Light reception following in the Gathering Space and Basement. Raffle prize drawings will be held during the concert. Visit Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish on Facebook, or visit the Unify, Beautify, Glorify Campaign website at ihm-ubg.com for more information.

Stars and Stripes Breakfast, Sunday, Sept. 11, from 7:30am – 12pm, at the VFW, 22nd & Vine, Hays. Proceeds go to the local, American Historical Society of Germans from Russia, Hays, Sunflower Chapter.

The St. Nicholas of Myra Knights of Columbus invite you to their *Annual Steak Dinner*, on Saturday, Sept. 17, social hour at 6pm, and dinner at 6:45pm. Menu: Ribeye Steak (10 -12oz.), or Honey Pecan Chicken with baked potato, vegetable, bread, salad, and dessert. \$25 per ticket. Take-out orders available. Contact Glenn Gabel at 785-628-2120 or Kyle Normandin at 785-623-0580.

**St. Nicks Knights of Columbus Cash Raffle**: 1 in 20 chance, \$50 donation – winner \$500 \$100 donation – winner \$1,000 Drawing on Sept. 17. For ticket information contact Justin Baalmann at 785-635-3777

<u>Prayer Requests</u>: Becky Robben, Maya Gottschalk, Stan Herrmann, Jerome Herrmann, Carla Meier, Special Intentions, Terry Hauschel, Theo Leiker, Chris Brull, Carole Carter, Parishioners in Health Care Facilities.

Drop requests in the collection basket or let Lilly know. Let Lilly know when the intention can be removed.



**Divine Mercy Radio's 12th Annual Appreciation Banquet** will take place in two locations: 6 p.m. Sat., Sept. 10 at The Rose Garden Banquet Hall Hays and 5 p.m. Sun. Sept. 11 in the

Hall of Bishops, Sacred Heart Cathedral, Salina. Cost is \$55 if purchased before Aug. 20. After Aug. 20, if tickets are still available, the cost is \$60. The cost includes appetizers and adult beverages. This is a sit down, served banquet with a great speaker, Father Wade Menezes, who will be talking about In Defense of Truth and Faith: Our Catholic Calling. To purchase tickets, send your check, along with which banquet you will attend (Hays or Salina) and your meal choice (steak or chicken) to: Banquet Reservations, Divine Mercy Radio, 108 E. 12th St., Hays, KS 67601, 785-621-4110, or visit dymercy.com. No tickets sold after Sept. 1.

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#### **Eucharistic Perpetual Adoration Chapel Notice:**

Please consider and pray to commit to one hour of Adoration or be a substitute for those who have an hour. Contact Bob Feauto at 785-628-1429. 5 HOURS OPEN

Mark your calendars! Bishop Vincke and the Diocese of Salina wish to honor all couples celebrating their 1st wedding Anniversary and ALL OTHER wedding anniversaries ending in 0 or 5 in 2022. 3:00 P.M., October 16th - St. Mary's in Salina 3:00 P.M., October 30th - St. Nick's in Hays. Registration is available beginning Thursday, September 1st online at salinadiocese.org or by calling the Family Life Office at (785) 827-8746.

Learn to appreciate what you have before time makes you appreciate what you had.

#### **Support Groups**

"NAMI Connections" Meets 1st & 3rd Monday each month 7 to 8:30pm: Hosted by: NAMI Hays - 103C E. 27th St., Oak Plaza, Hays. For more info e-mail at art@namikansas.org.

"Healing After Loss" Support Group meets 1st & 3rd Wednesday each month10am: Hosted by: Center for Life Experience 103C E. 27th St., Oak Plaza, Hays. RSVP by email at info@cflehope.org or call 785-259-6859.

"NAMI Family Support Group" Meets 2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month (in-person or online) – 7 to 8:30pm: Regular Meeting. Hosted by: NAMI Hays - 103C E. 27th St., Oak Plaza, Hays. For more info e-mail at art@namikansas.org.

"Healing Hearts" Support Group meets 2nd Thursday each month (in-person) – 6:30pm: Regular Meeting. Hosted by: Center for Life Experience 103C E. 27th St., Oak Plaza, Hays. RSVP by e-mail at info@cflehope.org or call for information 785-259-6859.

#### **CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS**



#### HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY

Rachel Wentling, Principal (785) 625-3131

August 22 First Day of Preschool

August 23 Parent Info Night—required 7:00 pm

August 25 August Birthday Mass & Lunch
August 31 Cajetan Cash Fundraiser Kick-off

Sept. 2 First Friday Prayer Circles



#### **THOMAS MORE PREP- MARIAN**

Chad Meitner, Principal

Bob Leikam, Jr. High Assistant Principal (785) 625-6577

August 25 Parent Open House - 6:30 - 8:30 pm

JH Head Volleyball Coach Needed. Please email Megan Gottschalk at mgottschalk@hfehays.org

Assistant Girls Wrestling Coach Needed TMP-Marian High School is looking for a girls wrestling assistant coach for the 2022-2023 school year. If you are interested please contact Austin Tatro at tatroa@tmpmarian.org

**Build Relationships of a Lifetime!** Former host families often comment on the wonderful experience they had hosting an international student. Many families maintain relationships with their students for years. Sometimes they even visit their host students in their home countries. Hosting opens the door to other parts of the world! It is very simple to start the process of becoming a host family. If you think your home may have a place for a host student please con-

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#### Mission Statement:

St. Francis of Assisi Parish is built on a foundation of faith. We continue that spirit by welcoming all people to participate in our spiritual growth. As we are called to love God and and be examples of his teachings, we strive for unity through fellowship and participation in all areas of the Catholic faith.

11TH ANNUAL DIOCESAN MEN'S CONFERENCE

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### **KEYNOTE SPEAKER: DR. MARIO ENZLER**

Former Swiss Guard, serving Pope John Paul II and Dean of Cameron School of Business at University of St. Thomas

AUGUST 13TH, 2021 8:00AM - 12:30PM IMMACULATE HEART 1805 VINE ST. HAYS KS

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